

**PATENT APPLICATION**



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**For Application of:**

Taro IKEDA, et al.

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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

**Examiner: Peter Lee**

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 2, 2004, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application, as follows.